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In re Application of: Ding *et al.*

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated February 11, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified application. Submitted herewith are the following: (1) an Information Disclosure Statement; (2) a List of References Cited by Applicants; (3) References AA-FE; and (4) a Petition for Extension of Time of One Month from May 11, 2003, to and including, June 11, 2003.

No additional fees are believed to be due in connection with the claim amendments. Should any fees be required, please charge such fees to Pennie & Edmonds LLP deposit account no. 16-1150.